Scientific Instruments



Industry Overview

The scientific instruments industry (NAICS 3345, 3391) includes establishments that manufacture navigational, measuring, electro-medical, and control instruments such as aeronautical and laboratory analytical instruments, pacemakers, watches and clocks, and guidance systems; and medical, laboratory, surgical, dental, ophthalmic, and veterinary instruments and apparatus such as laboratory apparatus and furniture, surgical and medical instruments and supplies, and dental equipment.

Texas Industry Facts		
Firms	1,179	
Establishments	1,243	
Employment	34,884	
Average Weekly Wage	\$1,481, \$927 *	
Value Added Per Employee	\$222,454, \$222,816*	
Value of Shipments	\$9.5, \$4.2 billion *	
Total Capital Investments	\$190.4, \$96.8 million*	
Sources: Texas Workforce Commission - 2010Q3		
Employment & Wages, Annual Survey of Manufactures, 2009		
* NAICS 3345, 3391		

How Texas Ranks		
NAICS	3345	3391
All Employees	3	8
Production Workers	2	6
Value Added	3	6
Value of Shipments	3	6
Total Capital Investments	4	7

Source: Annual Survey of Manufactures, 2009

Texas Exports

- The export breakouts that best fit this industry are "computer and electronic products," which include electromedical instruments and "miscellaneous manufactured commodities," which include medical equipment and supplies.
- In 2010, Texas computer and electrical equipment exports were valued at \$39.1 billion and miscellaneous manufactured commodities exports were valued at \$3.4 billion.
- In 2010, computer and electrical equipment was Texas 1st and the miscellaneous manufactured commodities exports breakout was the 12th largest exporting category.

Source: WISERTrade, 2010 (NAICS 334, 339)

Top Export Markets

Computer and Electronic Products

 Mexico
 \$ 19,065,347,395

 Canada
 \$ 3,678,560,466

 China (Mainland)
 \$ 1,631,395,476

 Netherlands
 \$ 1,401,117,242

 Republic of Korea
 \$ 1,324,735,646

Miscellaneous Manufactured Commodities

Mexico \$ 1,662,814,782
Canada \$ 376,612,671
Belgium \$ 184,804,157
Japan \$ 92,054,199
United Kingdom \$ 88,264,509
Source: WISERTrade, 2010 (NAICS 334, 339)

Major Industry Employers in Texas

Company	Location	Product Description
Alcon Laboratories	Fort Worth	Ophthalmic, pharmaceutical & surgical products
Abbott Laboratories	Irving, Austin	Biomedical equipment & intravenous supplies
Hospira, Inc.	Austin	Intravenous solutions & bags
Ethicon	San Angelo	Cardiovascular surgery & wound closure sutures
Alcon Research Ltd.	Houston	Ophthalmic surgical kits

Source: Texas Manufacturers Register 2010

Recent Industry Trends

- 2010Q3 Texas scientific instruments industry firms, establishments, and wages increased while employment decreased slightly since 2009Q3.
- From 2008 to 2009, the overall Texas medical equipment industry's Total Capital Investments decreased 15.5%, Value Added per Employee increased 5%, and the Value of Shipments decreased slightly.

Sources: Texas Workforce Commission - 2010Q3 & 2009Q3 Employment & Wages, Annual Survey of Manufactures, 2009

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